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"MOREA"	10,911	31st May	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
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"SICILIA"	8,813	16th June	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KALYAN"	9,118	18th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	17th June	Marseilles and London
"DELTA"	8,047	8th July	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KASHMIR"	8,886	17th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SARDINIA"	6,884	2nd July	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"MANTRA"	10,902	26th July	Marseilles and London
"BASGAR"	9,115	2nd Aug.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"MACEDONIA"	11,049	22nd Aug.	Marseilles and London
"NARAKUNDA"	8,227	5th Sept.	Marseilles and London
"KARMAKA"	9,138	19th Sept.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp

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"TAIMA"	10,000	24th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TILAWA"	10,000	20th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKALIMA"	8,018	4th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKALIMA"	7,938	21st May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAIREA"	7,933	26th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	28th Apr.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
"TANDA"	6,953	3rd June	do
"ST. ALBANS"	8,100	1st July	do
"TANDA"	6,953	2nd July	do
"ST. ALBANS"	8,000	3rd Sept.	do

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"NAGOYA"	6,884	1st Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKALIMA"	7,938	2nd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	29th July	Shanghai and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,953	2nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	8,000	30th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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Yesterday, the Kowloon Cricket Club, playing on their own ground, defeated the Kowloon Football Club at a cricket match. Previously, the footballers had won their own game by 3 goals to 2 and their two clubs therefore now stand all square.

Scores:-

KOWLOON C. - 1ST INNINGS.

A. W. Ramsey, c Austen, b Read

5

J. C. Lyle, c Green, b Wheeler

6

F. Goodwin, c Lake, b Randle

16

A. J. Kew, b Fitzgerald

23

A. R. F. Raven, c and b Wheeler

23

S. E. Green, b Fitzgerald

8

J. Smith, b Wheeler

4

H. Overy, c Austen, b Wheeler

4

J. C. Fletcher, c Lake

4

E. G. Jordan, not out

0

Extras.....

6

Total.....

115

BOWLING ANALYSIS:-

O. M. R. W.

Read..... 5

F. Goodwin..... 6

A. J. Kew..... 16

A. R. F. Raven..... 23

S. E. Green..... 8

J. Smith..... 4

H. Overy..... 4

J. C. Fletcher..... 4

E. G. Jordan..... 0

Extras..... 6

Total..... 115

BOWLING ANALYSIS:-

O. M. R. W.

Goodwin..... 6

Lyle..... 6

Fletcher..... 7

Overy..... 3

Raven..... 3

Ramsay..... 3

K.C.C. - 2ND INNINGS.

Ramsay, b Wheeler

54

Jordan, c McBride, b Read

1

Raven, b Wheeler

22

Goodwin, b Wheeler

18

Fraser, not out

11

Kew, b Wheeler

3

Green, b Wheeler

0

Smith, c Hayes, b Wheeler

5

Fletcher, not out

0

Extras..... 7

Total (7 wks. dec.)..... 121

BOWLING ANALYSIS:-

O. M. R. W.

Lake..... 4 0 15 0

Read..... 4 0 20 1

Hayes..... 3 0 23 1

Wheeler..... 7 0 35 6

Fitzgerald..... 4 1 15 0

K.F.C. - 2ND INNINGS.

Austen, c Fletcher, b Kew

5

Read, b Fraser

44

Wheeler, b Jordan

44

Hayes, c Lyle, b Ramsay

9

McBride, b Jordan

1

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BIRTH.

NASH.—At London, on April 11,
the wife of F. E. Nash, of a
daughter.

Hongkong, Tuesday, April 14, 1925.

**BRITAIN'S AERIAL
DEFENCE.**

Mail papers to hand yesterday give comprehensive reports of the discussion in the House of Commons on the Air Estimates, in the course of which it was stated with regard to the Naval air arm that it will in future be left to the Admiralty to prescribe and justify their requirements, which the Air Ministry will supply. The Ministry, however, will retain absolute control of air policy. The case for the Navy as put forward by Commander Bellairs was, that the Cabinet should reconsider the whole question and amalgamate the Air Ministry with the Navy—a proposal laughed to scorn by Sir Samuel Hoare, who remarked that whichever service absorbed the other, would have a most indigestible meal! It is, nevertheless, probable that this will come about when the ideal of a Ministry of Defence is realised. Complaint was made that the Ministry does less than it might to encourage aviation, and critics asserted that far too much money is spent on what is called "research" at Farnborough.

The Under-Secretary, Sir Philip Sassoon, was heckled about the helicopter experiments, and his reference to "definite limited strides" being made elicited the derisive query: "Strides on the ground or in the air?" He was made to fade from the memory.

"Beauty."

Beauty, like sorrow, dwelleth everywhere, an old quotation assures us. On the Kowloon side at any rate it seems to be hidden everywhere. A walk or a ride through the place, and the conviction occurs that much that is being done is cruelly utilitarian—not always that—and that contractors, architects, and Building Authority alike seem devoid of the saving sense of that which should appeal to the eye. A block of flats at the best of times is not usually a lovely thing; and it may be argued that an unlovely thing cannot be made to appear otherwise. But it seems obvious that in the hundreds of edifices that are greeting the sky in and around Kowloon, little, if any, attempt has been made, to make exteriors in line and decoration anything more than will fit the nursery words of: "This is the house that Jack built." "Unbeautiful and unattractive are the only strictly true appellations. At Home there is a committee to attend to the beautiful, and to see that old buildings that have a claim to the word, are preserved, and that others of public use, shall agree with it. It is safe to say that the time is coming when nothing will be erected that will not conform to some standard of beauty, no matter whether it be a factory or a flat. And just as much as light and air are agreed as necessities of life, so it will be agreed that the human eye has no right to be offended, and the mind outraged, by nightmares in bricks and mortar. We shudder to think what Kowloon will look like in the next five or ten years; and what conditions those buildings will be in which are now so garish, gruesome and ghastly.

INTERPORT "SOCCER."

**RESULT OF SHANGHAI
MATCH.**

Hongkong's team of Portuguese Interport footballers who are on tour in Shanghai played another game at the Northern port yesterday.

A team picked from the Shinghai and the Hongkong Portuguese Interport teams met the Rest of Shanghai. After extra time, the game resulted in a draw of 2 goals all.

"LITTLE JOHNNY JONES."

Sir Samuel described the co-ordination which has been established between the Navy, Army and Air Force as very close and cordial, and went on to give the plans of the Ministry for a series of long-distance flights within the Empire. There may be one from the Cape to Cairo and another from Cairo to Lake Chad. These flights will be both useful for showing the flag and serviceable to aviation at less expense than would be involved in following the suggestion made during the debate that Britain should try to win some of the International trophies.

The story is a drama of the turf, of the jockey, Johnny Jones, out to win the Derby race and a sweetheart, and of a gambler who enlists the services of gamblers to foil him in both ambitions.

R. A. SPORTS.

**NEW DATES FIXED FOR
NEXT MONTH.**

After postponement on account of the weather, it has now been decided to hold the Royal Artillery Athlete Sports meeting on May 7 and 8, on the U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon, commencing at 2 p.m. each day.

UNIVERSITY SPORTS.

**TO BE HELD TO-MORROW
AFTERNOON.**

Under the patronage of H.E. the Governor, who is also Chancellor, the postponed Hongkong University Sports will be held at the Pokfulam ground, commencing at 2 p.m. to-morrow.

A half-mile race, open to the Colony, will be run off at about 5 p.m.

At the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday night, the Kowloon Football Club celebrated their winning of the Hongkong Football Shield competition this season.

VOLLEY-BALL

**HONGKONG TEAM GOES
DOWN AT CANTON.**

A combined volleyball team from Hongkong was defeated at Canton on Saturday last, states a correspondent to the China News, a local vernacular paper.

This match was played with the object of picking a team to represent South China at the forthcoming Far Eastern Olympic Games and the following Far Eastern Olympiad. The game was played before a large crowd at the Kwangtung University, the Canton team winning by 21-11, 21-11.

South China A. A. Sports.

On April 25 and 26, the South China Athletic Association of Hongkong will hold its third annual sports meeting at Happy Valley, when there will be one event open to the Colony.

The meeting will have for one of its purposes the selection of candidates for the National Games and representation of China at the Far Eastern Olympic Games to be held at Manila this summer.

An event for Chinese girls is also included in the programme.

Broadcasting Results.

(Reuter's Service.)

MANILA, April 13.—The Far Eastern Radio Company has arranged to broadcast the Olympic results on May 16-24 to Hongkong and Shanghai and possibly Japan, through microphones on the ground, giving a running description of the games.

GOLF RESULTS.

**FANLING EASTER
COMPETITIONS.**

Results of the Easter golf competitions at Fanling are as follows:

Bogey Pool.

Seventy-four cards were taken out. Mr. I. W. Shewan won with a score of 4 up. Mr. R. M. Smith and Captain A. W. Davison tied for second place with scores of 1 down, and divide. Mr. T. D. E. Pendered, Mr. A. H. Ferguson, Major Littlejohns, Mr. A. O. Brown and Captain Davison returned scores of 2 down.

Medal Pool.

Fifty-five cards were taken out. Mr. G. A. Benson won with a score of 89-16-73. Mr. R. M. Smith and Mr. W. J. Clerk had scores of 79-3-76 and 90-14-76, respectively, and therefore tie for second place and divide. Other scores returned included Mr. G. Murray 84-7-77, Mr. T. D. E. Pendered 82-3-79, Mr. A. H. Ferguson 84-4-80, Mr. L. S. Dodwell 85-5-80, Mr. W. Galloway 86-6-80 and Captain A. W. Davison 98-18-80.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THOSE WERE THE DAYS!

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir.—Notwithstanding the glowing accounts published in the local Press regarding the present-day so-called representative football matches I cannot entertain for a minute that the game of association football in Hongkong is being played any better than it was twenty or thirty years ago.

For real artists with the ball give me the Club team that won the Shield against the King Alfred and the Bedford.

In my opinion the best team that ever did duty for Hongkong is the one which won the inter-port, here, with Shanghai, some twenty years ago when Dr. F. H. Kew, kept goal, Aucott (if I remember rightly) played back, and Arthur Piercy (also of Jardine's) was one of the halves. Other names of past masters I can recall are those of Williams, headmaster of Victoria School, Wishart and Eager.

What these old-time footballers have forgotten about ball control and science is more than the present generation of all-stars will ever learn in this isle of Fragrant Streams.

Yours, etc.,
NO CAN.

Hongkong, April 14.

SUNDAY CINEMAS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir.—As recently as March 5, the Manchester Watch Board refused an application by cinema proprietors to open cinemas on Sundays.

The exhibitors claimed that Sunday was the most popular cinema day of the week.

The Bishop of Manchester gave as his reason for opposing the application that competition with the churches was not feared but it was desired to keep Sunday as a day of repose.

What have your correspondents to say to this? Is Hongkong merely copying a Home example or is Manchester behind Hongkong?

Yours, etc.,
ECOEO.

Hongkong, April 14.

HISTORIC MACAO SKETCH.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir.—Your reproduction of the picture by Chinnery of the East India Company's Superintendent's residence in Macao before Hongkong was ceded has led to a rather interesting discussion.

Those steps on the right look like the approach to the cathedral or church in Macao, which is known to us Chinese as the "clock tower." Not being conversant with the Portuguese language, perhaps some of your Macao readers who understand Chinese may oblige by telling me if I am correct. The street outside the cathedral (or church) is known in the vernacular as "sixteen pillars." Now, on looking at the reproduction, I find that the entrance to the Residence has eight columns each of two distinct pillars. Can it be that the name given by the Chinese was because of these pillars?

Of course, the Residence has since been demolished and Chinese and semi-foreign houses have sprung up. The two figures on the steps look so much like ecclesiastics that I am led to presume that the place on the right is the cathedral not far from the Praia Grande and the present Government House.

Yours, etc.,
CHENG YU-CHIAU.

29, Connaught Road West,
Hongkong, April 18.

This is the sketch our correspondent mentions. As already stated, it is by George Chinnery, A.R.A., showing on the left the columnar entrance to the Residence of the Superintendent of the East India Company at Macao. The sketch was made about the time of the cession of Hongkong to the British about eighty years ago. Charles Elliot the founder of Hongkong resided here.

YES OR NO?

FRANCE AWAITS M. BRIAND'S REPLY.

PREMIERSHIP IN BALANCE.

Extremists Again Approach Painlevé.

Will M. Briand be France's next Premier in succession to M. Herriot—that is still the topic of the hour in the world of politics.

AWAITING ANSWER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 13. M. Briand saw M. Doumergue at noon.

He told the Press that he is returning to the Elysée early in the evening when he will give his answer regarding the Premiership.

ACCEPTANCE CONDITIONAL.

London, April 13. There is still no solution to the French crisis.

M. Briand's acceptance remains dependent on the socialist Congress to-morrow.

TALK WITH PRESIDENT.

Paris, April 13. M. Briand conversed with the President for 45 minutes in the evening.

He returns to the Elysée to-morrow evening to "explain" the latest development.

Some Radical and Radical Socialist deputies have again approached M. Painlevé urging him to reconsider his refusal and to try to form a government of his own.

[It was reported yesterday that M. Painlevé had refused the Premiership saying that he was convinced that any Ministry formed by him would speedily encounter the same difficulties which had caused the fall of M. Herriot. He was of opinion that the new Premier should be a member of the Left, but someone who was less directly involved in the recent political battles than himself. President Doumergue then summoned M. Briand who intimated that he would give his answer after the conference of Socialists on Tuesday afternoon, 17, as stated yesterday, "M. Aristide Briand takes office as Prime Minister it will be for the eighth time since he took to politics in 1892 as one of the leaders of the French Socialist Party. The commencement of hostilities in the Great War found him Minister of Justice in M. Viviani's Cabinet and when he formed his own Government shortly afterward the war was in an extremely critical state. Just as that Premiership was confronted with the problems of War, so had his last Ministry to handle the manifold questions which had arisen out of the peace and in his conduct of these he showed himself as a man of wisdom, possessing tact and wisdom in no small measure. It was due in part to the belief that Briand had fallen too great a victim to the charms of the "Welsh enchanter" who represented the interests of Great Britain in the negotiations then proceeding, that the downfall of his Ministry was brought about. Briand is said to

resemble Mr. Lloyd George not only in bourgeois and Celtic descent, but in temperament and appearance; and it is certain that the two are so alike in disposition that they worked together with mutual comprehension and perfect harmony.

M. Painlevé was in M. Briand's Government till December, 1916. He was War Minister in M. Ribot's Government and Prime Minister from September to November, 1917. He was well acquainted with all facts about the War and for the year 1917 filled the highest places in the Government, being intimately concerned with all the changes in the French command which occurred during the war and particularly with those that brought Poche and Petain to the head of affairs.]

EARLIER CABLES.

LONDON, April 13.

In an interview last night M. Briand informed journalists that he was studying the financial and economic situation very closely and in the morning hopes to be able to give M. Doumergue a definite answer when they meet again at the Elysée at noon.

M. Briand "considers it is impossible to form a Ministry without his being assured of strong durable collaboration, and added that if he came into power he would insist on an urgent ratification of the convention with the Banque de France and the necessity for clearing up the financial situation.

He would follow M. Herriot's foreign policy, based on arbitration, security and disarmament. He would maintain an attitude in favour of an Embassy at the Vatican without making it a question of confidence.

SHANGHAI MURDER

FUKIEN NAVY CHIEF KILLED.

(By Courtesy of Daily Bulletin.)

Shanghai, April 12. Following closely upon the murder of Tan Han-ning, ex-Tschun of Kwangsi, the "Chin Press" reports a second political assassination which occurred in Shanghai on Thursday, when Yang Ts'i-tsung, commander of the First Mixed Brigade of Land Forces of the Fukien Navy, and an intimate of Wu Pei-fu, was shot on board the steamer Ning-shing just as the vessel was leaving Shanghai for Foochow.

One of the members of the deceased's bodyguard is being held by the Chinese naval authorities.

Yang Ts'i-tsung had proceeded to Shanghai from Foochow last month in order to go to Hangchow to attend the celebration of Sun Chuan-fang's birthday.

DR. SCHURMAN

FAREWELL TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE.

(By Courtesy of Daily Bulletin.)

Peking, April 12. Dr. Jacob Schurman had a farewell interview to-day with Tuan Chi-jui, who entertained him at an informal dinner.

Dr. Schurman, who will be the guest of honour of the American Association at a ball to be held to-morrow night, is proceeding South by train on Wednesday morning.

At Pukow, Dr. Schurman will be met by Admiral McVey, and he will travel to Shanghai on the flagship Isobel, sailing for America on board the President Jackson on April 19.

On Dr. Schurman's departure from Peking, Mr. Mayer will act as Charge d'Affaires.

MARINE MISHAPS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Port Said, April 13. The s.s. Canton has arrived here unassisted. Her stem is bent to port from forecastle head to foot. Temporary repairs are being effected by means of cement boxes. The soya beans in bags in number one hold are being discharged in order to examine the forward bulkhead. There is no damage to her cargo and undue detention is not anticipated.

Certain circles also hold the opinion that the Chinese chose the holiday season for the signature of the agreement in order that the news should leak out gradually and thus lessen the agitation against the agreement.

FOOTBALL.

SURREYS DRAW WITH "THE REST."

The exhibition game between the East Surreys (League Winners) and a team chosen from "The Rest" drew a large crowd to the Club ground yesterday afternoon, the result being a goalless draw.

The teams were as under— East Surreys—Douglas; Cooper and Jordan; Potter, Mitchell and Bristol; Charlesworth, Eaton, Humberstone, Butler, and Mackie-worth.

The Rest—Lau Hing-cheung; Wynne and Bishop; Leung Yuk-tong, J. Stewart, and Watson; Harris, Johnstone, Forsyth, Li Wai-tong, and Chan Kwong-iu. Referee, Mr. Spencer; Linesmen, Messrs. Marlett and Smyth. Miss Dorothy Holyoak kicked off for the Surreys and opened the game, which was fast and interesting throughout.

Of the two teams, the Surreys were more aggressive and showed better combination. The shooting of the soldiers was, however, erratic. Eaton in particular failing with some kicks at close range. Jordan and Bristol played a brilliant game and repeatedly destroyed some good movements of the opposing side. Whistles for offside were frequent during the game. Bristol netted the ball in the early part from close in, but Eaton was declared offside, the decision being received with rousing cheers by the spectators.

Stewart, Li Wai-tong and Chan Kwong-iu, were the pick of the Rest team and put in hard work. The Surreys' goalkeeper had a lot to do in keeping some hot shots away. At the other end Lau Hing-cheung had more work to do, and his brilliant defence saved his side from being beaten.

Toward the end of the game, the Surreys were all on their opponents' goal time after time, and they strained every nerve to score until the final whistle sounded.

PRESENTATION.

After the game Mrs. Luard presented the cup and medals. Mr. J. McCubbin, before asking Mrs. Luard to present the trophies said that the East Surreys had worthily won the league. Their football was at all times good. He hoped that they would be seen at football again next year. He congratulated them on being League champions and South China on being the runners up.

Mr. McCubbin thanked Mrs. Luard for attending that afternoon to give away the cup and medals. Mrs. Luard then handed the Hongkong Daily Press Cup to Q.M.S. Charlesworth, captain of the East Surreys' team, medals to the East Surreys' senior junior teams and runners-up medals to the South China team.

Miss Charlesworth then presented Mrs. Luard with a bouquet of roses in a silver holder, tied with the Club colours, after which three cheers were given for Mrs. Luard.

RIFLE MEETING.

VOLUNTEERS' ALL-COMERS SHOOT.

Yesterday, the last day of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps' rifle meeting, was favoured with good weather at the Kowloon City range.

The all-comers competition resulted as follows, out of a record entry of 144, more than half of whom belong to the Surrey Regiment.

200 500 600 Yds. Yds. Yds. Yds.

	Major J. F. Drake (Surreys) 33	31	31	95
1. N. L. Railton (H. V. D. C) 32	30	31	93	
2. Marine Baker (H.M.S. Tamar) 31	27	33	91	
3. Marine Carpenter (Stonecutters Range Staff) 31	29	30	90	
4. Range Prizes—200 yards, Ldg-Sm. C. Griggs (H.M.S. Ambrose) 500 yards, Cpl. Green (H. M. S. Ambrose) 600 yards, L/Cpl. Meaker (Surreys) Revolvers.				

In the open revolver competition, Marine Baker had another success, scoring a possible, all six shots in the centre of the bull. The results were:—

1. Marine Baker (Tamar.)

2. Sgt. Tugwell (Stonecutters Range Staff.)

3. Sgt. Carpenter (H.K. Police.)

There were very few entries for the Corps revolver competition, which was won by Sapper E. R. Dovey (Engineer Company) with a score of 29 out of a possible 30.

DAMAGE TO RHESUS.

(Reuter's Service.)

PORT SAID, April 13. The s.s. "Rheus" is ashore in thirty feet of water; she is holed on the port side above her bilge keels, horizontally about twelve feet by one. The engine-room is full of water, and it is feared she is making a little in number six hold. Temporary repairs are being effected in the hope of bringing her into Port Said.

MONEY TO LIVE.

LABOUR PARTY'S NEW SHIBBOLETH.

CIVILISATION'S NEEDS.

MOVE DENOUNCED BY RAMSAY MACDONALD.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald asserted, at the annual Conference of the I.L.P., that if a Bill were introduced into the House of Commons to determine the living wage, based on the needs of civilised existence, it would not last half an hour.

COMMISSION APPOINTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Gloucester, April 13. On re-assembling, the annual Conference of the Independent Labour Party passed a resolution in favour of a national commission to determine what is a living wage, based on the needs of civilised existence.

Industry and the banking system must be transferred to public ownership, and the nation must then control the import of food and raw materials. It may be recalled that Mrs. Philip Snowden recently fluttered the doves of the Labour Party by telling Canadian audiences that Mr. MacDonald was the worst political leader there had ever been.

She subsequently explained that the reason for his baseness was that he attempted to hold two high offices of State at one time, with the result that his health and his nerves went to pieces. This was undoubtedly true, but the fact that the wife of one of his colleagues should have passed such strictures upon her Leader shows that the Labour Party is by no means the happy family which they would like us to believe. It is an open secret that Mr. MacDonald did not see eye to eye with his Chancellor of the Exchequer. The Prime Minister made his friends among the more recent recruits to the Party like Lord Thomson and Lord Arnold, and his other colleagues often found it hard to get a word with him. Perhaps the true explanation of this was that Mr. MacDonald attempted an impossible feat and was a tired man after the first fortnight of office. Fatigue makes a man petulant and easily bored. Mr. MacDonald's colleagues were very long-suffering with their Leader and would have been quite prepared to forget the blunders of last autumn, but it looks as if Mrs. Snowden's indiscretion combined with outspoken criticism at the annual I.L.P. Conference at Gloucester may make a permanent breach between him and a powerful section of his party.

GOOD WORK.

KIDNAPPERS' GANG BROKEN UP.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

SHANGHAI, April 12.

The China Press reports that the activities of a gang of kidnappers, who during a period of years are alleged to have stolen hundreds of children, are believed to have been broken up through a raid made by the Chinese constabulary on what is believed to have been the gang's headquarters in a village located on Tsinning Island.

Four men were arrested on charges of kidnapping after they had vainly tried to beat off the constabulary by firing.

Eight children, believed to be victims of the kidnappers, have been released.

MAY DAY.

JAPANESE SANCTIONS PROCESSIONS.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

TOKYO, April 12.

The police have sanctioned a May Day procession of about 30,000 conditionally that the parades shall not carry flags, banners or sticks, and that no revolutionary songs be sung.

Korean and other colonial workmen are prohibited from participating.

TUPAN OF HONAN.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

PEKING, April 12.

It is understood that the Government contemplates appointing Sun Yuen Tuan of Honan and Yo Wei-chun as Vice Governor.

The Government are reported to have wired to Feng Yu-hsiang asking his opinion regarding these appointments.

OBITUARY.

BARON HIRATA.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

TOKYO, April 14.

Baron Hirata, ex-Privy Seal, died this morning.



SETTLES CONTROVERSY—President Coolidge, arbiter in the long-standing Pacific dispute between Chile and Peru, has awarded Chile and vicinity to Peru, and directed a plebiscite in the rest of the territory to determine which country shall administer it.

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The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holomak, Mr. W. Logan, and Mr. G. E. Weston returned from Swatow on the Hai Ning yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Gorman Anderson arrived in the Colony yesterday from Mengtze, Yunnan province. Mr. Anderson has been transferred to the Customs at Shanghai and he and his wife will leave for that port to-morrow. Mrs. Anderson, well-known as Stella Benson, the writer, leaves later for England.

The Annual Inspection of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, by His Excellency The General Officer Commanding, will take place on Murray Parade Ground at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 17. Families and friends of Volunteers may use the marshalled, which has been lent for the purpose by the courtesy of the Officer Commanding 1st Battalion East Surrey Regiment. They should be in their seats by 5.45 p.m.

The bridge and Mah-jong tournament at the Villa Kasbeck, Cannes, was most successful. The prizes were awarded by the ex-Queen of Portugal. The Grand Duke Cyril of Russia and Lady Hilton were among the prize-winners. The gathering included the Duke of Connaught, the Grand Duke Michael and the Countess Torby, Princess Philippe de Bourbon, Princess Ghika, Lord and Lady Chichester, Lord Wolverton, Lady Coats, Maude Lady Orleas, Miss Paget, Lady Mandelberg, Sir John Rutherford, Sir Alan Johnston, and many others.

Captain Birss of the s.s. "Sui An" was entertained to dinner by the officials of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, prior to his departure from Home on retirement, on Thursday next on board the s.s. "Lung Shan" on Saturday last. Covers were laid for 35 guests, among whom were the executive officers of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and the Steamboat Company, Mrs. Birss and many personal friends. Mr. J. Arnold, Secretary of the Steamboat Co., was in the chair. Captain Birss replied briefly to the many speeches made, thanking all those who had expressed such good wishes and hoping that on some future occasion opportunity would arise for him to make a more complete return.

Arthur Brown, a tailor, who works in that exclusive strip of Piccadilly, Burlington Arcade, is pressing upon his customers a pair of braces to every suit he makes. They are, he explains, to be kept for that particular suit. "What is the use of me making you some good clothes when you don't wear them right?" he asks. The trustees are all right when you leave me, but then you wear some other wrongly adjusted braces with them." So every suit leaves his hands with braces buttoned to it, the braces being firmly adjusted so that the wearer can never spoil the tailor's work.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"The Mysticism of Religion" will be the subject of this week's Public Meeting of the Hongkong Lodge Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday, April 15, at 5.45 p.m. The Public are invited.

In the theatre Saint Joan continues her triumphant progress. The play was given for the 300th time on Wednesday, March 4, and over 400,000 people have already seen it acted. To this must be added at least 3,000 people in Hongkong.

A Canadian expedition which will attempt the ascent of Mount Logan (19,539 feet) in the Yukon, and the loftiest peak in Canadian territory, is to leave Vancouver this month. It will be headed by A. H. McCarthy and Col. W. W. Foster of Vancouver, the latter a Past-President of the Canadian Alpine Club, and six other gentlemen, including a representative of the English Alpine Club, will complete the party.

The Royal Society of St. George, founded in 1894, with over 100 branches, has hitherto had a hand-to-mouth existence. In order to consolidate its position and make it financially secure, an appeal is now being made to all men and women of English birth or origin for £10,000. The Society has constantly advocated the direct teaching of patriotism in schools of every grade as the surest means of inculcating loyalty to the constitution and combating Bolshevik propaganda.

4,000,000 lbs. of beef were served last year to Canadian Pacific, patron of the various services of the Company. Flour used for other purposes than the making of bread amounted to 5,000,000 lbs. 11,000,000 eggs, 6,000,000 lbs. of potatoes, 1,722,000 lbs. of poultry, 1,842,128 oranges and 378,332 lbs. of coffee are some of the other items which figure in the bills of the Commissioner. Fresh milk was used to the extent of 1,500,000 quarts and 500,000 quarts of cream were required also. A large part of the food supplies is drawn from the Company's own farm at Strathmore, Alta., where an enormous herd of cattle, thousands of chickens and other poultry, and hundreds of hogs are maintained, fed largely with grain, etc., grown on the farm.

The Duke of Connaught entertained at Beauvau, his Riviera villa, the hundred and forty young Australian boys who are making a tour of the world. The boys arrived in motor-cars from Nice.

The members of the Ipoh Golf Club, in general meeting, have decided to raise a loan of from \$15,000 to \$20,000 with which to build a new wing to the Club, which is rapidly growing in popularity.

Judge Milton D. Purdy of the United States Court for China is at Dr. Fearn's Sanatorium, Shanghai, recuperating from an operation for removal of his tonsils. Judge Purdy withstood the operation well and his condition is quite satisfactory, according to attending physicians.

The strangest wedding present ever given to a stage artist is probably that which the management of the Duke of York's presented to Marjorie Spiers, when she married Aubrey Hillmann, the young ex-Guardsman, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. Usually, there is a Tuesday matinee at the Duke of York's, but as all the company wanted to go, Archie de Bear decided to close the theatre for the afternoon. This cost the management £200, and gave the lucky actress the joy of seeing all her friends in church.

In the Canadian Commons a Bill to place women on an equality with men, in regard to grounds for divorce, has been read a second time by 109 votes to 69. Miss Agnes Macphail, the only woman M.P., said:

"I would suggest a splendid way out of this difficulty of marriage. It is my way. Stay out! When in doubt, say No. I doubt the sincerity of men who speak of woman as 'The Angel of the Home.' I don't want to be an angel in any home. I want equality. Then we shall take turns at being angels."

The late Marquis Curzon, speaking in the House of Lords on March 4, pointed out that "the generous gift of only one of our smaller possessions, Hongkong, would more than cover the first year's total expenditure on the Singapore base." The estimate for 1925-26 is £204,000.

A very intelligent Moor once gave the following picturesque explanation of an earthquake: "The earth rests on one huge fish at the bottom of the sea. A special fly settles on the fish's nose, from constant contemplation of which it has become blind. When the ox is tired of having the world on one horn, he shifts it over to the other—which jars things!"

R. G. Ainsworth and several employees of Henry Ford's Los Angeles plant, who were held recently on suspicion of having received property stolen from the plant, were set at liberty as the result of a telegram received from Mr. Ford. The message directed the plant officials to "make men out of our employees, not felons," and instructed them that "if you must prosecute, do so only with the ringleaders." Appearance of the telegram in Justice Court was followed by dismissal of the case.

Lectures on Shakespeare have proved popular with inmates of the Birmingham city prison where education work was taken up recently by the jail visiting committee which hopes to enlarge the viewpoint of the men and women and make them better fitted to gain employment upon their release from jail. The lectures are given twice each week. Shorthand has been taught with great success. It was announced, and four proficiency certificates have been granted to inmates since the system was inaugurated a few weeks ago.

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FOOTBALL.

HOME LEAGUE RESULTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, April 13.

To-day's matches in the English and Scottish Leagues resulted as follows:

DIVISION I.

Cardiff City ... 2 Sunderland ... 0
Everton ... 0 Preston N. E. ... 0
Manchester C. ... 1 Aston Villa ... 0
Notts C. ... 2 Burnley ... 0
Sheffield U. ... 1 Newcastle U. ... 2
W. Bromwich 2 Arsenal ... 0
West Ham U. ... 0 Liverpool ... 1
Blackburn R. ... 0 Notts F. ... 0

SECOND DIVISION.

Barnsley ... 1 Fulham ... 0
Chelsea ... 0 Manchester U. ... 0
Derby C. ... 0 South Shields ... 0
Hull City ... 2 Port Vale ... 0
Middlesbrough ... 1 Portsmouth ... 1
Southampton ... 0 Leicester City ... 0
Stockport ... 1 Crystal Palace ... 0
W. Hampton ... 3 Stockport ... 0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN SECTION).

Aberdare ... 4 Bournemouth ... 2
Bristol C. ... 2 Plymouth ... 0
Exeter City ... 1 Bristol R. ... 1
Luton T. ... 3 Brentford ... 1
Millwall ... 1 Charlton ... 0
Norwich ... 0 Gillingham ... 0
Queen's Park R. ... 2 Northampton ... 0
Southend ... 3 Reading ... 0
Swansea ... 1 Newport ... 0
Swindon ... 3 Brighton ... 0

NORTHERN SECTION.

Bradford ... 3 Chesterfield ... 0
Durham C. ... 2 Darlington ... 0
Grimsby Town 6 Tranmere R. ... 1
Halifax ... 3 Rochdale ... 0
Harlepool ... 0 N. Brighton ... 2
Nelson ... 7 Crewe A. ... 0
Rotherham ... 0 Wrexham ... 0
Southport ... 3 Doncaster ... 0
Walsall ... 2 Lincoln ... 0
Wigan ... 2 Barrow ... 0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Queen's Park ... 4 Aberdeen ... 1
LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

The position in the English and Scottish Football Leagues up to and including April 12 is as follows:-

DIVISION I.

Goals
Team. P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.
West Brom. ... 37 22 8 7 56 31 51
Hudders. ... 37 10 5 13 61 25 51
Field T. ... 37 10 5 13 61 25 51
Bolton W. ... 37 10 8 16 60 32 48
Newcastle U. ... 40 8 16 11 59 31 53
Liverpool. ... 38 10 10 9 60 49 47
Bury ... 39 10 10 6 63 33 44
Sunderland. ... 39 10 14 6 66 48 44
Notts County ... 39 11 11 13 40 28 42
Tottenham H. ... 39 14 13 12 51 41 40
Birmingham. ... 39 14 13 12 42 51 40
M'chester C. ... 39 14 13 9 70 64 39
West Ham. ... 39 15 15 11 51 56 37
Cardiff City. ... 38 13 14 11 50 47 37
Sheffield U. ... 39 15 15 12 50 56 36
Blackburn. ... 38 15 15 12 49 52 34
Everton. ... 39 11 17 11 37 55 33
Burnley. ... 39 11 18 10 44 68 32
Aston Villa. ... 37 10 15 12 49 52 34
Leeds U. ... 38 9 17 12 41 53 30
Arsenal. ... 38 12 21 10 25 55 29
Nottingham F. ... 7 21 11 20 60 25
Preston N. E. ... 39 10 24 5 36 69 25

DIVISION II.

Goals
P. W. L. D. F. A. P.
Leicester. ... 38 7 9 84 30 53
Derby. ... 39 22 8 9 68 32 53
Manchester U. ... 38 21 8 9 51 22 51
Portsmouth. ... 39 14 9 15 52 47 44
Chelsea. ... 38 15 10 13 47 33 43
Wolverham. ... 38 18 15 5 50 45 41
Hull City. ... 39 14 12 11 49 43 39
Port Vale. ... 38 16 15 7 40 48 37
Fulham. ... 38 14 15 9 37 50 37
Middlesbrough. ... 39 10 12 17 34 41 36
Clapton O. ... 37 13 15 10 39 40 36
Bradford C. ... 37 12 13 12 36 41 36
Stockport. ... 39 13 16 10 35 48 36
Southampton. ... 36 11 11 14 33 33 36
South Shields. ... 38 11 13 14 39 35 35
Wednesday. ... 39 14 10 6 44 53 34
Crys Palace. ... 39 12 17 10 36 38 34
Oldham. ... 39 11 17 11 30 49 33
Blackpool. ... 37 12 17 8 54 52 32
Stoke. ... 39 11 18 10 31 43 32
Barnsley. ... 37 10 17 10 41 57 37
Coventry. ... 37 10 20 7 42 77 27

DIVISION III.

Southern Section.
Goals
P. W. L. D. F. A. P.
Plymouth. ... 38 21 9 8 68 37 53
Swansea. ... 38 20 8 10 63 33 50
Bristol C. ... 39 20 10 9 54 30 49
Millwall. ... 38 17 9 13 56 36 47
Swindon. ... 38 18 10 11 58 35 46
Exeter. ... 38 18 12 9 56 43 45
Newport. ... 38 18 12 8 56 39 44
Brighton. ... 39 17 15 8 54 42 44
Norhants. ... 38 18 15 5 45 37 41
Southend. ... 37 17 15 5 48 46 39
Gillingham. ... 39 12 14 13 34 42 37
Watford. ... 38 14 16 8 33 36 36
Norwich. ... 37 12 13 12 45 44 36
Charlton. ... 38 12 15 11 39 43 35
Brentford. ... 36 13 14 9 33 30 35
Aberdare. ... 39 14 18 7 51 66 35
Luton. ... 40 9 15 16 44 50 34
Bournemouth. ... 38 12 18 8 37 51 32
Bristol R. ... 38 10 16 12 39 45 32
Queen's P.R. ... 37 11 18 8 35 66 31
Brentford. ... 39 9 23 7 35 83 25
Methil. ... 38 8 25 5 32 65 21

DIVISION III.

Northern Section.

Goals
P. W. L. D. F. A. P.
Darlington. ... 38 24 10 6 77 27 50
Nelson. ... 38 22 10 6 73 30 50
Bradford. ... 39 17 9 13 81 40 47
Southport. ... 37 20 10 7 54 31 47
N. Brighton. ... 37 19 11 7 69 47 45
Rochdale. ... 38 18 12 7 65 51 43
Chesterfield. ... 38 15 10 10 54 39 40
Lincoln. ... 39 16 10 7 53 55 50
Ashington. ... 30 14 15 10 67 73 38
Halifax. ... 38 14 10 10 50 48 38
Crewe. ... 39 12 14 13 49 71 37
Grimbsy. ... 38 14 15 9 55 53 37
Wigan. ... 38 13 14 11 56 60 37
Barrow. ... 38 15 17 6 48 60 36
Walsall. ... 39 13 16 10 41 45 36
Durham. ... 38 11 14 13 41 45 36
Accrington. ... 37 13 18 8 46 58 34
Wrexham. ... 39 13 18 6 59 63 34
Doncaster. ... 39 18 16 8 59 63 33
Tranmere. ... 37 21 21 3 54 75 30
Hartlepools. ... 38 9 19 10 41 62 28
Middlesbrough. ... 1 Portsmouth ... 1
Southampton. ... 0 Leicester City ... 0
Stockport. ... 1 Crystal Palace ... 0
W. Hampton. ... 3 Stockport ... 0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Goals
P. W. L. D. F. A. P.
Rangers. ... 36 24 3 9 74 25 52
Airdrieonians. ... 25 5 6 85 31 56
Hibernians. ... 37 22 7 8 78 41 52
Celtic. ... 35 17 11 7 70 43 41
Partick T. ... 36 14 12 10 58 55 38
Cowdenbeath. ... 38 14 10 73 65 37
Dundee. ... 35 14 14 7 45 50 35
Hamilton A. ... 36 16 18 3 53 57 35
St. Mirren. ... 35 15 16 4 58 61 34
Raith R. ... 35 11 15 9 49 57 33
Aberdeen. ... 36 11 15 10 45 54 33
Hearts. ... 37 11 15 11 63 68 33
St. Johnstone. ... 36 11 14 11 56 67 33
Morton. ... 36 11 16 9 41 64 31
Falkirk. ... 36 11 17 8 42 49 30
Kilmarnock. ... 36 10 17 9 47 61 29
Motherwell. ... 36 10 17 9 61 60 29
Queen's Park. ... 36 11 18 7 47 60 29
Third Lanark. ... 37 10 19 8 49 74 28
Ayr United. ... 37 10 19 8 42 65 28

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

FRANCE v. ENGLAND.

EXCITING FINISH.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, April 13.

The Rugby football international was played to-day in fine weather in the presence of 30,000 spectators. The Colombes Stadium ground was hard.

Nine minutes from the start Luddington scored a beautiful goal from a mark. Four minutes later a combined movement by the English outside forwards ended in Wakefield securing a try, which Luddington converted.

The Frenchmen were playing hard and tackling well. The Englishmen were mostly getting the ball from scrums. After a fine run by Dumanoir, Piquiral got a try, which Ducouso converted.

Shortly before the interval Wickes scored a try, and Luddington converted.

Half-time:-

England ... 13 points.

France ... 5 points.

In the second half the Frenchmen were mostly attacking. They showed superior speed and scored twice through Chagoue, but neither try was converted.

The closing stages were most exciting, there being a series of scrummages close to the English line, but just before the end Corbett cleared.

Result:-

England ... 13 points.

France ... 11 points.

BODY AND SOUL.

"Body and Soul" will be seen to-day at the Queen's Theatre.

Local cinema-goers have seen Miss Alice Lake in successful pictures such as the fisher girl in "Should a Woman Tell?" and the not dissimilar but more ambitious role in James A. Herne's "Shore Acres."

This forthcoming screen production, a story of a girl art student in Paris, will give the young actress character rather different, it is understood; a departure from the girl-in-gingham parts. It is a romance of the Latin Quarter, and Miss Lake, say those who have seen the picture, proves as piquant in the Parisian atmosphere as if she had been born and raised within a stone's throw of the Seine.

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

With the weather much improved, yesterday's races—the second day of the third extra meeting—were highly successful except, possibly, for the majority of punters who followed current form.

More "upssets" to the talent were recorded and it was only in the last race of the day that the favourite bore out expectations. There were not so many unusually big dividends as the returns on the "tote" were well above the average, and Mr. Nemazee, riding Curiosity Shop in the big event, brought \$207.50 to each of his forty backers.

After many disappointments since the annual meeting, Mr. H. P. White's griffin Gypsy Love showed that he has greatly improved with training and, with Mr. Doyle in the saddle, lowered the course record of 58.2/5 seconds for half a mile set up by Mr. John Peel's Ah Mee in 1921, by finishing in 58 seconds "dead."

To add further interest, some of those which had been firm favourites on Saturday were not sent out. Others which had romped home were displaced.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs) was an interested spectator. Ridden by Mr. Doyle in the final event, H.E.'s Gaudie ran third; thanks to a tremendous effort by the rider who has earned place money in the last three outings.

Results in detail were as follows:-

1.—BANSTEAD PLATE: HALF MILE.—For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey allowance. Entrance fee \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100.

Mr. H. P. White's Gypsy Love, 155lbs. ... (Mr. Doyle) 1

Mr. A. A. Alves' The Saracen, 156lbs. ... (Mr. Buck) 2

Mr. A. R. Warrack's Rayfield, 152lbs. ... (Mr. Gibson) 3

Mr. Bagram's Phenomenal Dahlia, 158lbs. ... (Mr. Harriman) 4

Also ran:—Alcantara (Mr. da Roza), Jambu (late Stuntee Dahlia) (Mr. Pollock); Rothesay (Lt.-Cdr. Thompson), Toomai (Capt. Hall), The Critic (late Critic Dahlia) (Mr. Sewell), Uncle Tam (Mr. Buck), Gymp (Capt. Oxspring).

Time: 28.3-5. 58.

Parimutuel:—Winner, \$36.80.

Places: 1, \$9.20; 2, \$6.40; 3, \$12.30.

Unplaced Ponies (\$100 each):—Nos. 318, 778, 586, 643, 965, 760.

2.—WESTMINSTER STAKES: ONE MILE.—For China Ponies. Griffins of this season. Winners barred. Ponies placed second 5lbs. extra. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey allowance. Entrance fee \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100.

Mr. L. Dunbar's Gimlet, 155lbs. ... (Lt.-Cdr. Thompson) 1

Mr. H. P. White's Saracen, 158lbs. ... (Mr. Buck) 2

Mr. A. A. Alves' The Wasp, 155lbs. ... (Mr. da Roza) 3

Mr. F. H. Kew's Wimera, 154lbs. ... (Mr. Gibson) 4

Also ran:—Uncle Tam (Mr. Sewell).

1/2 length; 4 lengths.

Time: 31. 1. 04.3-5; 1. 13.6; 2.08.3-5.

Parimutuel:—Winner, \$24.

Places: 1, \$11.30; 2, \$13.10.

Cash Sweep:—Nos. 629, \$2,771.30; 85, \$791.80; 283, \$

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E. V. JESSEN,
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WORLD OF SPORT.

FOOTBALL

REVIEW OF SHANGHAI
SEASON.

The 1924-5 Soccer season is now practically at an end, says the "China Press" (Shanghai) and the "muddled oafs" will soon have to give way to the "flamboyant fools." While the football exhibited has not been of as high a class as in previous seasons, several innovations have been started that will probably bear fruit in future years.

THE PIONEER FIELD.

The first of these was the use by the Association, for the first time, of a ground, at which an admission charge could be made. The Pioneer Field, controlled by a committee for the purpose of promoting sport among the Chinese, was loaned to the Football Association under very good terms. These terms varied according to the class of game played there. When two foreign teams met the Shanghai Football Association paid the ground expenses and took eighty per cent. of the proceeds. When a foreign team played a Chinese team the Shanghai Football Association took one-third of the gate and paid one-third of the expenses.

It was hoped by the use of this ground to put the Association on a sound financial basis and permit the employment of a paid clerk to assist the much overworked Honorary Secretary.

The Field was given a good trial with various classes of games, but with the exception of games in which Chinese teams were engaged it was not a financial success. There were two reasons for this—the inaccessibility of the ground and the fact that there was usually a counter-attraction at the Race Course.

In spite of the difficulties, however, quite a nice little sum was netted, and in future years, when possibly the buses will run to the ground, it should prove a much greater success.

INTERPORT GAMES.

For the first time Shanghai sent away two Interport teams, to Hongkong and Hankow, in one season. In addition invitations were extended to Tientsin and Kobe to come to Shanghai, but both these ports were unable to send teams.

The practice followed till now of sending a team to Hongkong every other year makes quite a break in the season here during those years. Now that the financial aspect is more secure, the Association will probably be able to invite a team from Hankow, Tientsin, or Kobe to visit Shanghai while our best string is away at Hongkong. Shanghai's second choice should give any of these ports a good run, and even if we are not successful the main idea is not so much to continually win games as to get keen close contests.

CHINESE TEAMS.

The new field enabled another difficulty to be overcome, and for the first time in Shanghai a Chinese team entered a competition under the control of the Shanghai Football Association.

The trophy entered for was the International Cup and the Chinese team did well, knocking out Germany in the first-round—and succumbing to the strong English team only by the odd goal.

Games were played by foreign teams against the Union Club, Aurora College, and Shanghai College teams, and although in every case the foreign teams won, still the margin was small enough to prove that Chinese teams are quite capable of giving the longer established teams a run for their money.

It is to be hoped that next season at least one Chinese team will enter the League Competition. It would probably be better to start off in the Second Division, as it is very discouraging to a young team to be continually beaten. A good Chinese team should come very near winning the Second Division, and with the experience gained could then aspire to the Senior Division in the following season.

SECOND DIVISION CHANGE.

Another innovation this season was the limiting of games in the Second Division to one meeting between each team. Hitherto it has always been found impossible to complete this competition, and the end of the season always arrived with many unplayed games.

The new plan has proved successful, and the programme was completed. The St. Xavier team, going through the season without a defeat, carried off the honours.

In addition to the League competition was also instituted for Second Division teams, and the final of this has yet to be played.

THE LEAGUE.

A great deal of the usual interest in Soccer games was spoiled this season by the unfortunate fact, that an odd number of teams entered the tourney. This gave each completing team a couple of off Saturdays, and together with the long waits while Interport teams were away all the Clubs had long periods without a game. As a consequence there was a great slackening off in training, and the brand of football exhibited was a long way behind that shown in previous seasons.

The Engineers, by decisively defeating the Shanghai Recreation Club early in the season, gave hopes that at last a team had arisen that could wrest the League Shield from the two Clubs that have cornered it since its inception. By losing two games to the Shanghai Football Club and one to the Police, however, all hopes were dashed, and the Engineers had to be content with third place, although they robbed the Recs. of another point in the return match.

As usual the final struggle was between the Shanghai Football Club and the Shanghai Recreation Club, by their win, carrying off premier honours.

A GAME STRUGGLE.

One of the features of the season has been the game struggle of the Portuguese Sporting Association. Winners of the Second Division for the previous two seasons, they were forced, under the new ruling, to enter the Senior Division. Although they succeeded in winning only one game and drawing one, yet their goal average of 15 for and 22 against proves how close the contests were.

With a forward line that shows the best combination of any team here, fast and tricky, they need only a little more polish in the art of shooting and a little strengthening of the defence to finish well up towards the top of the League.

THE SKOTTOWE CUP.

Finalists practically every year but always unsuccessful in the last event, the Shanghai Football Club were at last rewarded this season, and carried off the Skottowe Cup for the first time since 1914.

The final against the Engineers was won in no uncertain manner by the score of five goals to one. The losers were very unfortunate in not having the services of Austin, Barnes and Symington for the final game. With such a small number of players the loss of three excellent forwards is a great blow, and it caused the reshuffling of their defence.

In congratulating the Club on their victory, one must also give the Engineers a pat on the back for getting in the final for the first time. In the year of its inception the Cup was won by the Shanghai Dock and Engineering F.C., and this is the first time since that "Engineers" have figured in the final.

REMAINING GAMES.

The annual match between the Shanghai Football Club and the Engineers for the possession of the Engineers' Challenge Cup still remains to be played. In this game the Engineers will be able to strengthen their usual line-up by the addition of Turner and Evans; and possibly one or two other "pukka" engineers. This game should prove a close one, and probably the tables will be turned.

The final of the Second Division Challenge Cup between St. Xavier's and the Public School is also outstanding, but the former team should carry off the trophy.

We shall see soccer games played much later this year than usual. At Easter the Hongkong Portuguese team will come to Shanghai to play the local Portuguese.

On Easter Monday a combination chosen from the two Portuguese teams will play a picked Shanghai side.

Both these games will be played at Hongkong Park.

HOGGING PLAYERS.

For several seasons there has been a general grouse that one or two teams are cornering the majority of the available players and so making it difficult for other teams to field decent elevens. The Clubs against which these charges are generally levelled are the Shanghai Football Club and the Shanghai Recreation Club. Whatever truth there may be in these complaints, it may be noted that neither of the two teams were able to finish very high up in the Second Division.

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MIKE MCTIGUE.

UNCONQUERING FIGHTER'S EXCUSES.

Mike McTigue, world's champion light-heavyweight boxer, recently underwent an operation for the removal of a small bone in his right hand and also had some of the bones in his left hand re-set. According to his surgeon, Dr. Frazier he will be ready to defend the title within two months. McTigue would rather meet Berlenbach, the knock-out kind of the middleweights than any others who are trying for a chance at his crown, though it is his belief that Tom Gibbons has priority in view of the fact that he knocked out Kid Norfolk, negro light-heavyweight champion. Whether Mike will really risk taking his title out of the safety deposit vault in which he has kept it for so long is quite a speculation.

In defence of his poor showing against Mickey Walker in their recent bout Mike said that he was unjustly criticised for his showing in that he was practically without the use of his hands in this fight and that under the circumstances little more could be expected from anyone else. He claims Walker as one of the greatest fighters of the day and predicts that if the operation on his hands is successful he will rededicate himself in a decisive manner.

Whether or not Mike will make good his word after the operation remains to be seen. Sooner or later the Irishman will have to risk his title, which he has retained for more than two years without yet winning a battle. The so-called world's champion has barely averted a knockout on several occasions and in almost every battle has received the worst of it.

THE "DRIBBLING" CODE.

There is no falling-off of popular interest in what is called the "dribbling code"—on the *lucus a nunc* principle, surely, in those latter days when dribbling is practically a lost art. Huge crowds still assemble every Saturday afternoon to watch the League matches or the Cupie struggles, as the case may be and there can be no doubt that the open-air excitement of these encounters between teams (or troupes) of professional players is a healthy tonic for our lusty citizens. Even for those who think we do, that professional Association is a rather anaemic and artificial sport (says the Morning Post), it is a pleasing experience to share the tidal emotions of the throng on one of these crowd-capturing occasions. Association is the national game for the winter season beyond a shadow of doubt. So we must needs wish the game well, and hope that in course of time English common-sense will prevail that each local League team will consist of players born and made in the locality it represents. It is a pity that the supply of true-blue Association players should be running short, because the professional players have always found them good friends and taken a keen delight in friendly matches with them. The time will come again, no doubt, when the representative English eleven will contain one or two amateur players. In defence of the professional-but-no-fellow—but the best type of amateur is apt to excel in attack because he does not play merely to avoid responsibility, as so often the case with his professional brethren, and is not afraid to risk a frontal attack on his own. The best Association team, like the best cricket XI, should be a judicious mixture of amateurs and professionals.

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GOLF IN FLORIDA.

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